

BULK OF TOBACCO CROP STILL UNSOLD

Growers Have Not Had Suitable Season Since Early Fall.

NEW BUILDINGS PLANNED

Programs Completed for Observation of General Lee's Birthday.

Times-Dispatch, Bureau, 109 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., January 13. Receipts of tobacco since the holidays have been very light on account of the cold, dry weather. Really the farmers have not had a suitable season for growing their crop for market since early last fall, and the result is that the bulk of the crop in this section, and the better grades of it, remain unsold. Fine dark wrappers this week brought as high as \$20 per hundred pounds, and growers are anxious for increased offerings.

Big Building Improvements. The W. H. Harrison Company is erecting on Washington Street a five-story brick store, 10 feet front by 101 feet deep, at a cost for site and building of \$25,000. This site occupies a portion of the old Centre Warehouse property. The building when completed will be occupied by the Harrison Company.

The Watson Realty Company is erecting a storehouse on Union Street, near the corner of Washington, two stories in height, 50 feet front by 200 feet in depth, which when completed will be occupied by the Petersburg Dry Goods Company, a large wholesale firm. The outlook for building improvements this year, both business and residential, is very bright.

Daughters to Celebrate. Petersburg Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will serve tea on the afternoon of January 19, in honor of General Lee's birthday, to which A. P. Hill Camp of Veterans, the Sons of Veterans, the Ladies Memorial Association, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and Dinwiddie and Richmond Chapters of Daughters of the Confederacy will be invited. At P. Hill Camp of Confederate Veterans will also celebrate the anniversary with a parade and a banquet at night, at which addresses will be delivered, Judge Allen, of Brunswick county, being the principal speaker.

Personal and Otherwise. At a meeting of the board of directors of the Petersburg Investment Corporation yesterday, W. J. Moore was elected as secretary, treasurer and general manager.

The Wednesday Music Club met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. G. C. Wright and rendered a delightful program. The instrumental selections were from Beethoven, and English ballads were the vocal numbers. A number of guests were present.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Jackson Coal and Coke Company was held last evening, and the following officers were elected: President, N. C. Jackson; Vice-President, Joseph W. Seward; Secretary, Charles R. Marshall; Treasurer, William A. Bond. The above officers, with James Weddell, J. O. James, Charles Hall Davis, William J. Rahilly and Isaac Cohen, compose the board of directors.

The indications are that the Hustings Court, during its term beginning next week, unless the juries are very lenient in their verdicts, will send an unusually large number of convicts to the penitentiary. There are about twenty-five cases on the criminal docket, ranging in grade of crime from murder down to non-support.

Captain Frank Couch of Hampton, great chief of records, I. O. O. F., of Virginia, spent yesterday in this city on business connected with the order. A rally of the Sunday schools of the Methodist Churches in Petersburg and vicinity will be held Sunday afternoon in High Street Church. An address will be delivered by the Rev. T. R. Reeves, of Washington Street Church.

Big Indenture Recorded. An indenture has been recorded in the clerk's office here between Blair & Co., and the Seaboard Air Line Railway, being an agreement on the part of Blair & Co. to furnish certain equipment to the Seaboard Railway. The consideration is given at \$1,841,200, this amount being secured by the railway company to the extent of the issue of a series of interest-bearing equipment gold notes. The New York Trust Company is named as trustee.

A Good Fire Record. The report of Chief Farley, of the Fire Department, for the year 1909, shows a total of eighty-four fire alarms during the year, many of them of trivial nature.

The value of buildings in which the fire occurred was \$4,846, and of the contents, \$35,301. Insurance on buildings, \$61,375; on contents, \$22,000. Actual loss by fire on real estate, \$14,275; on contents, \$5,153.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on Market Street, last evening, Miss Ella Leigh Bishop, the bride, was married to John D. Taylor, D. D., officiating.

Kecoutan Tribe, No. 37, I. O. O. F., of Matoaca, installed its newly elected officers last night, and the occasion was made one of enjoyment.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH. Had Been Left in Room Only Few Minutes by Her Mother.

Washington, N. C., January 13.—News was brought to this city this morning of an accident that occurred at the home of A. S. Crutch, about five miles from this city, on the Bath road, in which his two-year-old child, a girl, was called out of the house for a few minutes, and left the two children, one three and the other two years old, alone. When she returned

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Refined Beans, 20c; \$2.25 dozen. Fancy little tender beans, with the fresh flavor a little better and not a string in a can.

Lima Beans, 15c; \$1.05 dozen. They, delicate, delicious. Better than the fresh.

Brandy. In an importation we have one package of very old Cognac made in 1875, shipped by Francis, former distiller. A fine full body, mellow Cognac, \$2.00 bottle.

Prunes, 20c Pound. California, largest and finest prunes so delicate and tasty; can be eaten raw; weigh an ounce each.

Wafers. Another importation of the Huntley & Palmer Biscuits, whose manufacture is known the world over; new varieties.

Salt Crisp, 30c
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Pure Gluten. Flour, made by the only factory whose products are free of starch.

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she found a broom on fire and the clothing of the youngest child in flames. The child was lying on the floor unconscious and horribly burned all over the face and body. She immediately extinguished the flames, and Dr. S. T. Nicholson, of this city, was hastily summoned, but the child died before he could get there.

FREIGHT TRAINS COLLIDE.

Accident at Culpeper, in Which Little Damage Is Done.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Culpeper, Va., January 13.—Extra freight No. 730, northbound, which was a double-header, on the Southern Railroad, ran into local freight No. 61 here today about 3:30 P. M. on the northbound track. The local freight No. 61 had crossed over from the southbound track to the northbound track to let No. 45, Chesapeake and Ohio passenger train, by, and was standing on the northbound track when extra 730 came around the curve. The engineer of the extra applied the brakes, but they would not work, as the track was slippery. One car of the extra was telescoped and thrown on the southbound track in the face of the Chesapeake and Ohio train, and this delayed the passenger train about an hour and a half. The railroad officials blame both train crews. The cowcatchers on both engines that hit were smashed to splinters. The car that was telescoped was loaded with merchandise, which was injured but little. The wreck was not cleared from the northbound track until about 7:30 P. M. No one was hurt, except the engineer of the extra, who was shaken up some when he jumped.

AGED WOMAN BURNS TO DEATH.

Was Confined in Bed, and Suffocated Before Aid Reached Her.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Spotsylvania, Va., January 13.—Mrs. Mary C. Plant, an aged invalid, suffered death-to-day of suffocation and burning in her home, near Spotsylvania. She was confined to her bed in the second story of the building when the house took fire from a red hot stove, causing her death before aid could reach her. The fire was extinguished before the building was entirely burned. She was the widow of Robert Plant, formerly of New York, and leaves no family. The house was the only other person in the house at the time of the fire.

Directors of Onancock Bank.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Onancock, Va., January 13.—The following directors have been chosen by the stockholders of the First National Bank: Spencer F. Rogers, James R. Hickman, Abel G. Kelly, Francis D. Parkes, Henry F. Powell, Henry B. Wilcox, Edward E. Miles, John S. Waples, James H. Fletcher, Jr., Lee R. Phillips, George H. Powell.

SILICA QUARRIES SOON TO START UP

Plans Mature for Important New Industry at Scottsville.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Scottsville, Va., January 13.—Beal Brothers, of this place, announces that plans are maturing rapidly for the operation of their silica quarries. A company is being organized by a number of well-known citizens to erect a milling plant for forty tons of ground silica each day. This will bring to the town at least 100 workmen. Within thirty days operations will commence for opening the quarries and getting them in shape for regular mining work. While the mill is being constructed it is anticipated that a considerable amount of business will be transacted in the sale of granite rock for the manufacture of electro-silicon. The mill, when completed, will be the first of its kind in the State of Virginia and the second to be established in the South. On account of the nearness of this locality to Tidewater, the products can be sold with a greater degree of profit than by companies further inland.

It is a coincidence that within a radius of fifteen miles of Scottsville are being successfully operated a group of industries in slate and soapstone that are unique in that they represent the highest types of these minerals and are little developed elsewhere in the State. This new silica industry gives every promise of maintaining the same degree of quality as the others.

The organizers of the silica company have made certain of a market for their product in advance of production, which saves the cost of experimental work.

BASKETBALL AT LYNCHBURG.

Y. M. C. A. Team Easily Defeats Davidson College Quint.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Lynchburg, Va., January 13.—The Lynchburg Young Men's Christian Association basketball team last night defeated the Davidson College quint by the score of 40 to 15. The game was as one-sided as the score indicates, for the collegians were outclassed at every stage of the game. Not once did they have the slightest chance to win. The score in the first half was Lynchburg, 19; Davidson, 6. In the second half the collegians showed a little more form, but they did not take advantage of opportunities to score in the way the Davidson team last night. The Davidson quint made four points on as many fouls, while the association drew two missing two. The game was rough and fast, and for that reason it was a thoroughly fought.

Officers of Charlottesville Bank.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Charlottesville, Va., January 13.—At its annual meeting the Jefferson National Bank of this city, elected the following officers and directors: C. J. Rixey, president; Judge G. F. Furney, Jr., first vice-president; Bartlett Bolling, second vice-president; T. P. Peyton, cashier. Directors: C. J. Rixey, Judge G. F. Furney, Jr., V. C. Conaway, Bartlett Bolling, Major Channing M. Bolton, C. J. Rixey, Jr., R. F. Marshall, S. C. Chancellor and Colonel Henry M. Lewis.

Murderer Sentenced to Penitentiary.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., January 13.—George Brown, charged with the murder of his father at Simmons, Mercer county, W. Va., was today given four years in the penitentiary by agreement of counsel, in the court at Prince George.

DEMANDS PAYMENT OF R.C. STATE BONDS

Formal Communication From Treasurer of State of Rhode Island.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Raleigh, N. C., January 13.—State Treasurer B. R. Lacy received this evening the formal demand on the part of the State of Rhode Island for North Carolina State bonds, issued in the Reconstruction period, and later repudiated by the State as fraudulent, the bonds being a gift to Rhode Island from the bond syndicates. The demand came from General Treasurer W. A. Reid, of Rhode Island, and is countersigned by Attorney-General W. B. Greenough.

The reply sent by Treasury Lacy was to the effect that he noted Treasurer Reid's expression that "Demand was renewed for payment," but that he (Lacy) had been Treasurer for nine years, and that this was the first demand received. As to the bonds, he said:

"Many of the bonds issued during the Reconstruction period were fraudulent and illegal by our Supreme Court and were repudiated by the people. The Constitution now having a clause prohibiting their payment. In order, therefore, that I may know whether the bonds you mention are among those above referred to, it is necessary that you give me the dates of their issue, and also the act of Legislature under which they were issued. On receipt of this information, I shall be glad to write you what I understand will be done in this matter."

The letter of Rhode Island's Treasurer demanding payment enumerates the purpose for which the bonds they held were issued, as follows: Fifty bonds for construction of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad; thirty bonds for construction of the Western North Carolina Railroad; twenty bonds for Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad; fifty bonds for construction of the Western North Carolina Railroad; twenty bonds for construction of the Wilmington and Tarboro Railroad.

Treasurer Reid states that one and, in some cases, two coupons have been paid or clipped from each of the bonds. But it is said in the Treasury here that there has never been any payment at all. The donors of the bonds are supposed to have cut off the missing coupons for some possible legal advantage in getting up litigations for collection.

BARELY ESCAPED SUFFOCATION.

Family of Professor Nef Aroused Just in Time to Escape from Flames.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Staunton, Va., January 13.—Professor J. P. Nef, city superintendent of schools, and the members of his family, were barely escaped suffocation by smoke from a fire which consumed their residence on East Frederick Street about midnight last night. The fire originated from the furnace and had made great progress before the family was aroused by the stifling smoke, which filled their apartments. Nothing except a piano and a few articles of furniture were saved.

The house was owned by N. C. Watts. The house and contents were insured.

Fatal Accident in Mine.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., January 13.—John Kegley, of Atkins, employed in the coal mines of this city, was killed by a fall of slate to-day.

Why Does Not The Stomach Digest Itself?

An Unsolvable Problem, Which Has Puzzled Physicians of All Schools.

A Trial Package of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets Sent Free.

There seems to be no logical reason why the stomach should not digest itself when we consider the fact that it secretes digestive juices, and that these are powerful enough to disintegrate and digest meats, eggs, fruits, cereals, vegetables and other forms of food.

In animals which were killed while in full digestion, the stomach has undergone complete self-digestion, and the stomach contents have been found to be in a state of complete digestion, but also the liver, pancreas, spleen and portions of the intestines.

The question naturally presents itself, "What prevents the stomach from self-digestion during life?" Dr. Hunter declared that the "principle of life" in living things protects the stomach from being digested by its own fluids, but Dr. Bernard successfully demonstrated that the hind legs of a living frog, when introduced through a flap cut in the stomach wall, would undergo complete digestion, and Dr. Pavy, through similar experiments, found that the same was true of a rabbit's ear.

While the normal stomach is immune from self-digestion, there are many cases on record in which the stomach has completely digested and eaten away the mucous membrane lining of the stomach, and in some instances has engendered gastric ulcer, which ate its way clear through the stomach wall, and caused a fatal perforation.

In all cases of perverted function of the stomach, which manifests itself by the numerous well-known symptoms of indigestion and dyspepsia, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets act as a corrective, restoring it to a normal condition, toning up the secretory glands, as well as the intestinal glands, which absorb the food, and at the same time assisting the stomach in the process of digestion and preventing the possibility of perverted functions arising as will cause perverted functions, gastritis, gastric ulcer, or the eating away of the mucous membrane of the stomach.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are exceedingly powerful digestives, a single grain being sufficient to digest 3,000 grains of food, including meats, vegetables, cereals, etc. They digest all food, and do so without any action on the stomach, and in some instances, when the stomach is in a condition that it furnishes an insufficient amount of gastric juice, such symptoms as heartburn, biliousness, headache, belching, gas and flatulence are sure to appear and make one feel generally miserable.

Such symptoms can, however, be overcome and done away with at once. Simply take one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and forget all about your digestive troubles. They do their work promptly and thoroughly, every particle of food being completely digested, and fermentation, decomposition and distention are kept out of the stomach after eating, relieved and cured. Purchase a box from your druggist to-day; price, 50c. Also send us your name and address for free sample. Address: P. A. Stuart Co., 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

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| 25—4th Prizes, \$50 Certificate of Credit..... | \$1,250 |
| Grand total..... | \$4,150 |

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This Contest is Open to Everybody! No Matter "Who" or "What" you are, tell us

What Constitutes "The Ideal American Home"

If you have a home of your own, no doubt you think it "Ideal." If you haven't a home of your own, you certainly know what an "Ideal" home should be. So enter this contest—tell us, in no more than fifty words, just what your idea is of the "Ideal" home—a home such as inspired John Howard Payne to write "Home, Sweet Home," where love, happiness and contentment reigns supreme.

Don't make an effort to write a "beautiful essay" or a "poetic gem," but jot down, in your own natural manner, just what you believe goes to make home ideal, keeping in mind that "Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home."

In this contest the \$50,000 mansion is on a level with the "lowly thatched cottage." Remember, it isn't the "house" that we ask you to define, but that mysterious something which the house contains and makes it the dearest spot on earth.

The Conditions Governing This Contest Are Easily Complied With

The only "conditions" stipulated in this contest are: DEFINITIONS MUST BE WRITTEN ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, and no name attached thereto, and that definitions must be given in not more than fifty words. As soon as received your definition and letter will be given a number, so that the committee will have no knowledge of the contestant's name.

A Committee of Three Prominent Men Will Decide the Contest

We have arranged to have as a "Committee on Awards" three of Richmond's prominent gentlemen, whose integrity is unquestioned. No person in the employ of The Crafts Piano Company will have anything to do with the decisions in this contest, nor will any Crafts employee be permitted to enter the contest.

This Contest Closes Wednesday, January 19th, 1910, 12 Midnight

The Crafts Piano Company, Inc., Fifth and Grace Sts., RICHMOND, VA.

OFFICERS OF GRAND LODGE INSTALLED

Business of Annual Communication Rushed to Conclusion.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Raleigh, N. C., January 13.—The Grand Lodge of Masons surprised itself by completing the business of the annual communication with the session last night, which continued, however, until well past midnight. The unusual departure from official schedule of work has been taken in the election of the officers during the afternoon session, and the night session for this work, the reason for the change being to admit of the Grand Lodge attending the ceremonies for the presentation of the bust of Governor William A. Graham to the State by the State Historical Commission. This delaying the Grand Lodge at the State House until 11 o'clock. However, the newly-elected Grand Master, Hon. R. N. Hackett, in the meantime arranged to announce his appointive officers for the year, so that soon after the lodge reassembled in the lodge room, the installation of officers, under the direction of Past Grand Masters Francis D. Winston and John W. Cotton, was gotten under way. With this work out of the way, it was an easy matter for the Grand Lodge to put through all other remaining business and adjourn.

The grand officers installed were as follows:

Grand Master, R. N. Hackett, Wilkesboro; Deputy Grand Master, W. B. McCall, Wilmington; Senior Grand Warden, F. M. Winchester, Charlotte; Junior Grand Warden, J. T. Alderman, Henderson; Grand Treasurer, Leo D. Hackett, Raleigh; Grand Secretary, Jno. C. Drewry, Raleigh; Senior Grand Deacon, F. P. Hobgood, Jr., Greensboro; Junior Grand Deacon, A. B. Anderson, Jr., Raleigh; Grand Marshal, Claude L. Prigden, Kinston; Grand Sword Bearer, Geo. S. Norfleet, Winston-Salem; Grand Pursuivant, H. A. Gray, Clinton; Grand Stewards, J. C. Brazwell, Whitakers, and Chas. N. Satter, Charlotte; Grand Tiler, R. H. Bradley, Raleigh.

Fredericksburg Bank Elects Officers.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Fredericksburg, Va., January 13.—The stockholders of the Conway, Gordon & Garnett National Bank, of this city, have elected the following officers: P. V. D. Conway, president; Charles Herndon, vice-president; A. Randolph Howard, cashier; George W. Shepherd and John M. W. Green, assistant cashiers. The above named constitute the board of directors.

Fatal Burning of Child.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Roanoke, Va., January 13.—Birth, the nine-year-old daughter of Eliza Harris, was fatally burned at her home at Green Springs, this county, to-day. The child was with her father in a field where he was burning sagebrush. Her clothing took fire, and the father was unable to subdue the flames.

Receivers of Cotton Mill.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Winston-Salem, N. C., January 13.—Thomas Woodroffe, of Mt. Airy, and A. M. Scales, of Greensboro, have been appointed receivers of the Pilot Mountain Cotton Mill, which suspended operations six months ago.

Chatham Residence Destroyed by Fire.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Chatham, Va., January 13.—H. H. Whitehead's residence was burned yesterday. The loss is \$4,000, with insurance of \$2,500. The fire started in the

News of Manchester

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 1103 Hull Street.

Mrs. Ramsey, of Burkeville, her child, and the child's mother, were badly injured as a result of a runaway accident in Swansboro Wednesday afternoon.

Grocers' Association. At a meeting of the retail grocers of Manchester and Swansboro, held yesterday in Lander Hall, a grocers' association was organized to be known as the Retail Merchants' Association of Manchester and Swansboro. The following officers for the year 1910 were elected by a vote of 100 to 0: President, Leo D. Frank, Anderson; Vice-President, Anderson; Second Vice-President, A. H. Thomas, Committee on By-Laws, C. T. Jones, of Jones & Clements; B. A. Phaup, J. M. Hancock and A. S. Bartlett. The new association adjourned subject to call of the president.

Dixie Athletic Association.

Eighteen members of the Wednesday night Bible class of the Dixie Athletic Association, after an hour or so of games and gymnasium exhibitions last night were served to a supper by the women of the association. Last Wednesday night a new Bible class was organized for employed boys who go to night schools.

The membership of the association is being increased weekly by an average of four or more. The attendance for December was between 800 and 900. The association will be holding its annual meeting on the night of the 15th inst. on account of the commencement of school examinations.

Funeral of J. W. Snellings.

The funeral of John W. Snellings, fifty-nine years old, who died Wednesday night at his home, 212 Hargrove Street, Swansboro, will take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock from Clifton Street Baptist Church. The burial will be in Maury Cemetery. He is survived by a widow and four daughters—Miss Lizzie Snellings, Mrs. L. Roy Roper, Mrs. Garland Brin, Mrs. Annie Miller, and by two sons, Arthur and John Snellings, of Swansboro.

Daughters of the Confederacy.

At the Christmas meeting of Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, held in Leo Camp Hall Wednesday afternoon, a Christmas dinner in the Soldiers' Home.

Consolidation Delayed.

For unavoidable reasons the joint meeting of the Manchester and Richmond committees was postponed last night. The desire here is for a speedy adjustment of the

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Best Men in Service Put on Most Important Work.

Washington, D. C., January 13.—The general shifting of civil engineers, the duty was made by Assistant Secretary Winthrop, under supervision they came, with a view to putting the best men on them on the most important work.

Among the most important work, public works was created. A. C. Minkham, now on duty at the yard at Norfolk, will be given most of the work on the work of the Bureau of Yards and Docks and will be attached to the office of Captain Ward, the aide for inspection.

Among the other changes is that J. W. Walker, from the naval engineering station and naval war college, Newport, R. I., to the Pensacola yard.

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